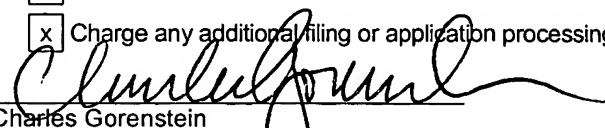


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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 2, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.